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SUPPLEMENT

1. A meeting of Communist leaders and police officials to discuss arrests of opponents of the Groza government was held in the Ministry of Interior on 10-11 July. Among those present were Teohary Georgescu, Communist Minister of Interior, who presided; Emil Bodnaras, Communist Under-Secretary of State for the Presidency of the Council and head of the SSI; Ana Pauker, Communist leader; Alexander Nicolschi, Chief of the Sigurantza Detective Corps; Major Iorgu Popescu, of the Bucharest Court-Martial; Colonel Evulescu, Chief of the Army Information Service; Colonel Ion Almajanu, who is known to direct counter-espionage operations against U.S. installations; Colonel Bercescu, whose position is not known; and unidentified officers of the municipal police. Major Sergei Mironov and other Soviet officers likewise attended. The conference opened during the evening of 10 July and continued until seven the following morning.
2. Teohary Georgescu made the following points in a short speech:
 - a. By the end of July the Government would be "completely Communist".
 - b. All Communist ministers must be heavily guarded on trips outside Bucharest, to protect them against attempts at assassination by National Peasants.
 - c. Mass arrests to be carried out at the end of July would include:
 - (1) Collaborators with the United States and Great Britain
 - (2) Former legionnaires
 - (3) Members of the National Peasant and National Liberal Parties
 - (4) Individuals who are anti-Soviet in their point of view.
 - (5) "Undesirables", i.e., individuals opposed to the Groza government.

Georgescu stated that the Ministry of Interior would conscientiously execute its assignment. Orders received from Moscow would be carried out to the letter since "the USSR is Rumania's only sincere friend."

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3. Alexander Nicolschi submitted lists of individuals who would be:

- a. Arrested and detained temporarily
- b. Confined in concentration camps.
- c. Deported.

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() comment: Although the destination of individuals to be deported is not indicated, it may be assumed that they would be taken to the Soviet Union.)

4. A further tightening of Communist control of Rumanian life and increased surveillance of individuals suspected of contacting foreign legations and missions were also discussed.

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